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WANTED. No. 6, Vol. II, of the Am. Journal of Numismatics.

WANTED. The following; must be uncirculated or (asterics) * proof. Dollars, 1795, fl-h.; 1796, sm. date; 1797, 6 and 7 stars facing. Half dollars, 1794, '95, 1801, 1851, 1852*. Dimes, 1803, 1822, 1847, 1854*. Half-dimes, 1803, 1846, 1853*. Cents, 1800, 1832*, 1851*, 1852*, 1853*. Half cents, 1831*, 1844*, 1847*, 1857*, Eagles, 1797, large and sm. eagle. Half Eagles, 1795, '97, 1821, '22, '24, '28, 1831, '32, '33. Quarter Eagles, 1796, 1806, 1828.

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503	1797 Splendid proof.....	45 00
504	1798 Broken die (like 1804). Olive; uncirculated.....	7 50
505	1800 over 1799. The well known specimen from the Merritt and subsequently the Frothingham collections. Bright red; uncirculated.....	45 00
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508	1805 Very fine; dark.....	4 00
508*	1808 A very fine impression; bright red, uncirculated. One like this sold for \$52, Frothingham sale.....	40 00
509	1816 Perfect die. Sharp; bright red.....	1 50
510	1817 Sharp; brilliant impress	2 00
511	1819 Proof; bright red.....	5 00
512	1822 Olive; uncirculated.....	8 00
513	1824 Reddish olive; sharp, uncirculated. Finest cent of this date known.....	20 00
514	1825 Uncirculated.....	2 00
515	1826 Bright red; sharp, uncirculated, small spot.....	5 00
516	1830 Ring around stars. Red, uncirculated.....	5 00
517	1832 Brilliant olive; sharp, uncir.....	10 00
518	1837 Beaded hair-string. Fine proof....	10 00
519	1839 Booby head. Olive; sharp, uncir..	5 00
520	1841 Brilliant proof.....	15 00
521	1846 Brilliant proof, (Frothingham sale 17.50).....	15 00
522	1857 Sm. date. Brilliant proof.....	4 00

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523	1806 Olive; uncirculated	50
524	1828 Red; uncirculated	1 00
525	1833 Brilliant proof.....	3 00
526	1834 Fine proof.....	3 00
527	1855 Fine proof.....	2 50
528	1856 Brilliant proof.....	3 50

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530	1751 Bust of Louis XV. Rev. Indian and alligator. Restrike; proof. 19.	
531	1752 The same; Mercurius on rev.; proof.	
532	1753 The same; two worlds; proof.	

533	1754 The same; beavers at work; proof.	
534	1755 The same; galley; proof.	
535	1758 The same; flight of eagles; proof.	
536	1757 Different bust. Rev. Mars and Neptune on a floating shell. Original; v. fine. 18.	
537	Duc Dampville. 1658. Bust and arms; proof. 32.	
538	Bust of Louis XIV. <i>I. Mauger.</i> Rev. KEBECA LIBERATA MDCXC. Restrike; proof. 26.	
539	Naked bust of Louis XV. 1758. Rev. Wesel, Oswego, Portmahon. Uncirculated. 20.	
540	Louisbourg taken. MDCCLVIII. View of bombardment. Rev. France crushed under a globe, supported by English soldier and sailor, English flag and victory above, etc. Edge lettered, <i>Edward Boscawen admiral; Jefery Amherst general commanding.</i> Pierced near border for loop; uncirculated. 28.	
541	Bust of George II. Rev. Britannia in triumphal procession, names of battles, etc. MDCCLVIII. uncirculated. 28	
542	Female bust; SAYNDERS, WOLFE. Rev. Victory crowning a trophy; QUEBEC TAKEN. MDCCCLIX. Edge lettered; proof. 25.	
543	Britannia on sea-horse. BRITAIN TRIUMPHED HAWKE COMMANDING; OFF BELLE ISLE NOV. XX. MDCCCLIX. Rev. Allegorical representation of Night interposing between the victorious English and the French, etc; proof. 25.	
544	Bust of George II. Rev. Inverted French shield; PERFIDIA Eversa, MDCCCLIX, and names of victories during the year. Uncirculated. 28.	
545	Guadelupe surrenders. MAY 1, MDCCCLIX, etc. Edge lettered; proof. 25.	
546	Naked bust of George II. Rev. Female Mourning at the foot of a pine tree. CANADA SUBDUED. MDCCCLX. Proof. 25.	
547	River-god reclining, a beaver at his feet. THE CONQUEST OF CANADA COMPLETED. Rev. mourning figure, etc.; MONTREAL TAKEN MDCCCLX. Proof. 25.	
548	Bust of George III. Rev. Names of victories; includes NEWFOUNDLAND, etc. MDCCCLXII. Uncir. 26.	
549	1762 Augsburg Peace. Mercurius, Batavian lion, liberty cap on pole, etc. Rev. Indian holding a cupid who crowns a monument, etc. Proof. 28.	

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552	Massachusetts. 1788. Cent; v. fine.....	1 50
553	Gates for Saratoga; bronze proof. 35.....	2 00
554	1743. Sede-Vacante crown; St. Martin tearing his cloak with a beggar. Proof.	3 00
555	Innocent XII. 1693. Sudo. Bust; rev., Fecundity. Uncir.....	2 00

556	The same. 1698. Scudo; rev., St. Peter preaching. uncir.....	3 00
557	Clement XI. 1702. Scudo. Bust and Virgin between angels, etc. uncir.	3 00
558	The same. 1704. Adoration of infant Christ and arms. Uncir.....	2 75
559	Magdeburg. 1617. Crown of the first jubilee. Busts Luther and Huss, with prophecy of Huss and its fulfilment, 100 years later. Uncir., extremely rare.....	25 00
560	Saxony. John George. 1617. 1st Jubilee crown, bust of Frederic III, 1517, on rev. Uncirculated	4 00
561	Second jubilee crown. 1717. Bust of Luther; rev. bust of Catherine his wife. Original; proof	20 00
562	Austria, Leopold, bogmouth. Double crown without date. Proof.....	6 00
563	The same. 1670. Crown; uncir.....	2 00
564	Denmark. Fred. IV. 4 marks; uncirculated.....	2 50
565	Augsburg. 1641. Crown of Ferdinand III. Uncirculated.....	3 00
566	Poland. Stanislaus Augustus. 1766. Broad crown; nearly proof.....	2 50
567	Anhalt-Schaumburg. 1774 Mining thaler of Carl Ludwig. Uncirculated.....	3 00
568	Triple crown of Archduke Leopold of Austria, struck for Tyrol. Uncirculated.....	10 00
569	Groningen. 1682. Double crown, Proof	5 25
570	Saxony. John George. 1650 Triple crown; brilliant, uncir.....	12 50
571	Frederic of Sax-Coburg. Broad 1½ crown, without date. Brilliant; uncir.....	7 50
572	Brunswick-Lüneburg. Augustus. Reisetaler. Uncirculated	3 00
573	Frederic 1647. Broad triple crown. 50. uncirculated	16 00
574	The same. 1662 1½ crown. Uncirculated.....	6 00
575	Rudolph Augustus. 1679. 1½ crown. Proof.....	5 00
576	Henry Julius. 1699. Wasp Crown; uncirculated	10 00

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577	DOLLAR, 1794. A skilful alteration; very deceiving	5 00
578	HALF DOLLARS. 1806. Pointed 6. v. good	60
579	1809 Barely circulated.....	1 00
580	1836 Reeded-edge; brilliant proof.....	15 00
581	1838 Pattern. Head of Liberty left with small coronet and band inscribed LIBERTY. Rev. Eagle facing, head turned r., grasping four arrows and an olive branch. Brilliant proof.....	10 00
582	1855 Fine proof	1 00
583	Pine tree shilling; medium, v. good.....	4 00
584	CENTS. 1797. Large pl., v. good.....	75
585	1797 Variety; good.....	50
586	1809 Very good.....	1 50
587	1822 and 1847. Poor; the 2 for.....	10
588	1823 over '22. Sharp, uncir., has never been cleaned.....	40 00

589	1833 Uncirculated.....	75
590	1834 Double profile; uncirculated.....	1 00
591	1838 Beaded hair-string. Uncir.....	75
592	1841 Uncirculated.....	50
593	1843 Uncirculated.....	1 00
594	1845 Fine	25
595	Anne. 1714 Pattern farthing, struck in silver. Uncirculated.....	10 00
596	William III. 1696, 6 d.; 1712 & '21, XII skilling <i>Dansk</i> ; v good, the lot (3).....	50
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598	Dickeson, M. W. American Numismatic Manual. Last and best edition, 270 p. p. 21 plates, portrait of author. 4to., full calf.....	9 00
599	Humphrey, H. Noel, Coin Collectors' Manual, London 1875. 2 vols, 726 p. p. many plates and cuts. Small 8vo., cloth.....	3 00

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(continued from last number.)

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600 1795 Flowing hair, wide date. Brilliant, barely circulated.....	5 00
601 1795 Fillet head. Sharp; uncirculated...	7 50
602 1796 Small wide date; 8 berries; very fine	3 00
603 1796 Large date; 7 berries; very fine....	3 00
604 1797 Seven and six stars facing; 8 berries; uncirculated. The pair.....	50 00
605 1798 Fifteen stars; sm. eagle. Extremely fine	40 00
606 1798 Thirteen stars; sm. eagle; fine	7 50
607 1799 Six stars facing; 5 berries; die cracked across entire reverse. Very fine.....	2 50
608 1799 Six stars facing; without berries to laurel branch; uncirculated.....	4 00
609 1799 Five stars facing; very fine.....	6 00
610 1800 Wide date; uncirculated.....	5 00
611 1801 Small close date; fine.....	4 00
612 1802 over '01. Mint lustre; uncirculated.	4 00
613 1802 Perfect date; uncirculated.....	4 00
614 1803 Wide date; extremely fine.....	3 00
615 1804 Fine (Spanish).....	1 00
616 1839 Eagle without stars, reeded edge. Brilliant proof.....	45 00
617 1840 Very fine.....	1 50
618 1841 Mint lustre; uncirculated.....	2 50
619 1842 Mint lustre; uncirculated.....	2 50
620 1843 Mint lustre; uncirculated.....	2 50
621 1844 Mint lustre; uncirculated.....	2 50
622 1845 Mint lustre; uncirculated.....	2 50
623 1846 Very fine.....	1 50
624 1847 Proof	7 50
625 1848 Uncirculated.....	2 50
626 1849 Mint lustre	1 50
627 1850 Mint lustre; uncirculated.....	2 50
628 1853 Uncirculated	3 00
629 1854 Uncirculated.....	12 00
630 1855 Brilliant proof.....	30 00
631 1856 Uncirculated.....	5 00
632 1857 Mint lustre; uncirculated.....	8 00
633 1859 Orleans; uncirculated.....	2 00

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NOTICE.—On and after May 1st, letters, orders for sales, etc., may be addressed to us care Geo. A. Leavitt & Co., Auctioneers, 787 & 789 Broadway, New York, where we have located our city office, with a fine stock of rare American and Foreign coins, etc., ready to receive our friends and customers, visiting the city, and to transact the usual business of a coin dealer.

The Editor of Numisma having been appointed a committee to solicit and collect suitable medals, documents, etc., to place in the corner stone of the new Masonic Hall now being erected by Solomon's Lodge, 196, F. & A. M., at Tarrytown, N. Y., would be pleased to receive such objects as friends may feel disposed to donate. Masonic, Historical and Political (1884) medals particularly desired. An exhibit of the objects received will be made on or about 20th inst., and the names of all donors published.

GONE ASTRAY.—A fine 1793 Chain cent was accidentally forwarded from this office in a package made up between April 10 and 15. A prompt return of this coin will greatly oblige the publisher of Numisma.

BY-WAYS OF THE U. S. GOLD COINAGE.

Extract from a paper read by Andrew C. Zabriskie, Esq., before the American Num. and Arch. Society, April 9, 1885.

THE GOLD COINAGE OF THE SOUTH.

In Eckfeldt and Dubois Manual of Gold and Silver Coins, Phila., 1842, it is stated:

"In our own country the only private coinage worth noting consists of gold pieces emanating from the gold region. The establishments for this purpose have been that of Templeton Reid in Geo., now discontinued—and that of Christopher Bechtler in North Carolina, still in operation." The authority just quoted goes on to state that, when in 1830 gold mining began to assume considerable proportions in Georgia, the project was set on foot to coin it on the ground, and three denominations of coins, ten, five and two and a half dollars were struck, bearing the name "Templeton Reid" assayer, and designated "Geo. Gold." It must be distinctly understood that these and all other private gold coins while unauthorized by the Government were never objected to, the understanding being that as long as no attempt was made to imitate the regular coinage they would be tolerated. We find the following table in Eckfeldt and Dubois work showing the value of coins of F. Reid:

	Weight.	Fineness.	Value.
\$10.	248	942	10.06
2.50	60.5	932	2.43

It must be remembered that the regular mint issue of the Eagle of 1830 would now be worth \$10.66, and that even at that time it commanded a premium of 5 per cent; that is it was worth \$10.50 in silver. "If Mr. Reid's ten dollar piece was current without premium, his gain was about 44 cents, or near 4 1-2 per cent. It may have brought more in the market." These coins are all extremely rare, in fact the preservation of any specimens of the \$10 and \$5 outside of the mint collection seems doubtful. The existence of Templeton Reid's Mint was of very short du-

ration. The mint of Christopher Bechtler at Rutherford, N. C., was of much greater importance. Its operations began in 1831—and were continued up to a date which I have been unable to ascertain, certainly as late as 1849 and long after the establishment of a regular branch mint of the United States at Charlotte, comparatively close at hand. C. Bechtlers coins are of two series, the first without date, but issued earlier than 1834 of the denominations of five dollars, two and a half dollars and one dollar, stamped as being 20 carats fine, and 150 grains to the piece of five dollars.

The second series bears date 1834 and to conform to a reduction of the standard of United States coins, made in that year, we find the Bechtler mint made corresponding reductions. There were three grades of fineness and weight. The five dollar piece of 20 carats weighs 140 grains, that of 21 carats 134 grains, and that of 22 carats, 128 grains. The first of these is stamped "North Carolina Gold," the second "Carolina Gold" and the last "Georgia Gold," although probably all the gold was mined in North Carolina and the names were used to indicate the quality—Georgia being the best and North Carolina the poorest. Sometime after 1842 the mint passed into the hands of A. Bechtler as indicated by the inscription on the coins and is further indicated very pointedly in the falling off in their value. Taken as a whole, the Bechtler five dollar piece may be said to be worth from \$4.80 to \$4.95 and the dollars from 95 to 98 cents, but as they are alloyed with silver they will produce about half of one per cent. more if presented in sufficient quantity. I cannot speak with authority of the varieties of these Bechtler coins, or of their relative numismatic value. The dollars seem to be comparatively common as do some of the five dollar pieces, but I cannot imagine that the number in existence is extensive enough to supply

even the wants of collectors, should any considerable number turn their attention to this series. Mention should be made before we pass to the other division of our subject, of the branch mints established by the United States at Charlotte, N. C., and Dahlonega, Ga., about the year 1836. Corresponding in all respects with the issues of the Philadelphia mint, except the addition of a "C" or a "D" on the reverse, these pieces are generally formed of the denominations of Half and Quarter Eagles. The latest date I have in my collection is 1860, showing the mints to have been in operation (like the New Orleans Mint) up to the breaking out of the Rebellion. While not in any respect "Private Gold Coinages," they claim at least this passing notice, especially if collectors adopt the course I have pursued and include specimens of these mints in their collection of the Gold Coinage of the South.

(to be continued.)

AMERICAN NUMISMATIC AND ARCH. SOCIETY.

The following officers for the ensuing year were elected at the Annual Meeting, Mar. 17.

President:—Daniel Parish, Jr.

Vice Presidents:—Andrew C. Zabriskie, Frank Abbott, David L. Walter.

Secretary:—William Poillon.

Treasurer:—Benjamin Betts.

Librarian:—Richard H. Lawrence.

Curator of Numismatics:—C. H. Wright.

Curator of Archaeology:—Gaston L. Feuardent.

Historiographer:—Henry R. Drowne.

The various reports of the officers show the Society to be in a very flourishing condition, with increasing resources and membership. All honor to the memory of the late Jay B. Cornell, a former life-member, who left the Society a legacy of \$1,000.—, which carefully invested will materially increase the income of the Society, and tend to still further develop its usefulness and importance.

The sudden suspension of Mr. John W. Haseltine, one of the leading and best informed coin dealers of the country, has stirred quite a ripple of surprise and regret among his many friends and correspondents. Hard times, strong competition from every side for the smallest business and disappointment in several ventures, are generally ascribed as the causes of the suspension. Mr. Haseltine has been in the coin business at Philadelphia for the last 18 years, and during that time held 85 public auction sales of coins and medals, the last one taking place at Bangs & Co., N. Y., on January 30 and 31, when he disposed of a large part of his stock, especially American dollars, etc., from the Economite's Hoard, purchased by him some years ago. Whatever Mr. Haseltine may undertake in the future, he carries with him the hearty good wishes of a host of collectors and friends.

Almost simultaneously with the above comes the news that Mr. J. Colvin Randall, appropriately surnamed the "Silver King of America," has sold out his private collection of American gold coins and his immense stock of American gold and silver coins to Mr. W. E. Woodward, who, according to his prompt business-like methods, is already out with the announcement of a sale, at an early day, of large selections from this source, making up one of his most important catalogues.

COIN SALES.

March 16. Coins of England, miscellaneous coins and medals, coin books, etc. 514 lots. Catalogue by Scott & Co., 66th (?) sale; sold at Ortgies & Co., 845 and 847 Broadway, New York.

March 20. Foreign and American coins, medals, postage stamps, old books, etc. 685 lots. Catalogue by Geo. W. Massamore; sold at Bangs & Co., 739 and 741 Broadway, New York. Among a small but fine lot

of American gold coins offered by Mr. Massamore in this sale, a 1797 Eagle, four stars facing, small eagle rev., in very fine condition sold for \$70.50, and one of 1796, in similar condition, \$25.50.

March 24 and 25. Foreign copper coins, Chinese coins and medals, War and Masonic medals, bric-a-brac, bronzes, artistic jewelry, gems, swords, porcelain, curios, minerals, etc., a very interesting and valuable collection, the property of Charles Podhowski, 967 lots. Catalogue by Ed. Frossard (41st sale); sold at Geo. A. Leavitt & Co., Clinton Hall, N. Y. A very beautiful cent of 1798, uncirculated, sold for \$14.50 (we have a dupl. for sale at \$7.50, see advertised coins); an Albanian yatagan with chased silver scabbard, very much admired by connoisseurs of fine work, sold for \$40.50; an open face watch with exquisite French enamel work of the 18th century on back, \$30.00; the fine porcelain, bric-a-brac, curios, etc., also generally sold at excellent prices.

March 26. Confederate bonds and notes, Fractional currency, and paper money, the collection of Benj. Betts, Esq., also, coins, medals, etc., 509 lots. Catalogue by Lyman H. Low, 7th sale. Sold at Bangs & Co., New York. Mr. Betts collection was very complete, and comprised many of the rarities among Confederate issues, also several very rare fractional notes. The profusion of material and careful classification of the notes made this sale an interesting one to collectors of paper money.

April 2 and 3. The numismatic collections of Messrs. Wm. B. Clark, of Hartford, Conn.,—Blake, and—Cochrane, etc., 1248 lots. Catalogue by W. E. Woodward (73d sale); sold at Bangs & Co., N. Y. A fairly good lot of American and foreign coins, etc., which did not generally bring very good prices. In the Addenda of the catalogue was offered the now famous unique pattern silver cent or bit of 1783, described in the last is-

sue of this paper. To the general surprise this valuable and highly interesting coin was withdrawn for want of an offer. Under No. 4 of the same Addenda Mr. Woodward abandons his former view and arrays himself on the side of those who recognize a difference between original and restrike half cents in 1840-'49, giving up a position which he could no longer consistently hold.

April 10. Catalogue of the collection of Roman Imperial denarii and of Paduan medallions of Richard H. Lawrence, also duplicates of his Family denarii, and a choice lot of miscellaneous coins, duplicates from a well-known cabinet. 585 lots. Catalogue by Ed. Frossard; sold at Geo. A. Leavitt & Co., New York.

Several gems among the Imperial coins, sold very low, others brought fair to good prices. A denarius with bust of Julius Caesar was almost given away at 47c., another brought \$2.80; Julius Caesar and Mark Antony, \$4.00; denarii of Caligula, \$5.60 and \$4.10; of Pertinax \$10.50, (worth at least \$15.00) a Bank of Montreal, 1839, side-view half penny, \$8.50; and the rare if not unique note for 5 shillings, of New York, 1709, \$15.50.

April 9, 10. The numismatic collection of Henry S. Barclay of St. Louis, Mo. 1205 lots. Catalogue by Chas. Steigerwalt; sold at Thomas & Sons, 139 and 141 S. Fourth St., Phila., Pa. This fine and valuable collection, to which Mr. Steigerwalt had largely added from stock deserves more than a passing notice, but space lacking, we must refer collectors to the "printed list of prices realized" to be had at 50c. from Mr. Steigerwalt.

April 20. Catalogue of Ancient coins, a collection comprising valuable specimens of the coinages of the Greeks, Romans, Byzantine Jews, and French. 497 lots. Catalogue by Gaston L. Feuardent; sold at Bangs & Co., N. Y.

A number of Greek tetradrachms of fine style of work but not particularly well preserved brought extremely high prices, others equally fine sold at low figures, but the average prices were very good and we heartily congratulate Mr. Feuardent on the success of his sale. Having a few copies of this catalogue left on hand we offer them, neatly priced, at 30c. each.

COMING SALES.

Mr. A. Balmanno, of Brooklyn, N. Y., sells his fine collection of American and Foreign coins and medals at Bangs & Co., June 10 and 11. This gentleman has been so long and so favorably known as an enthusiastic yet discriminating collector, that the simple mention of the sale of his cabinet will necessarily draw the attention of collectors, and create a general demand for the catalogue, ably and carefully compiled by Mr. Low and his assistants. The American Colonies, the United States, Canada, Mexico, South America, European countries, China, Japan, the East Indies, are all represented by a good selection of coins and medals, but it is chiefly in the large array of rare and fine coins of Great Britain, from the earliest period to the present time, that the collection becomes of unusual interest and importance. The coins of Charles I, or those of Scotland, or the fine Irish series, if offered singly, would make the sale an interesting one; grouped together, they form one of the best collections of English coins yet offered in the United States. We shall be pleased to receive good lines of bids from all our many customers, far and near, which bids will be faithfully executed under personal guarantee.

Chapman Bros., of Philadelphia sell their collection of coins and medals at Philadelphia 14 and 15 inst. The coins offered will include many fine Colonial and Ancient

coins from the Anthon cabinet, coins and medals from the Warner sale, and the uncirculated 1804 dollar bought by them at the Weyl sale in Berlin for \$216. Any orders for this sale will be executed by us at the lowest possible prices, but they should reach Irvington at least 5 days before the sale.

The last coin sale in the almost historical building known under the name of Clinton Hall, and so long occupied by Messrs. Geo. A. Leavitt & Co., was the Lawrence collection, April 10; the first coin sale in their new, spacious, and elegant salesrooms, at 787 and 789 Broadway, will take place on Friday 22d inst., when a fine collection of rare American coins and medals, of ancient and Foreign coins etc., will be offered. Catalogues now ready, and can be had free of charge on application.

Mr. Ed. Frossard is hard at work preparing the catalogue of a fine and varied collection of Oriental coins (except China) which includes all the oddities of material, size, shape, etc., of the native coinages. The catalogue will be illustrated with four heliotype plates, and being the first and only one of its kind ever attempted here must prove of considerable interest.

Mr. H. P. Smith of New York is preparing the catalogue of a fine collection of American and Foreign coins and of War medals to be sold at Bangs & Co.

THE MEDALS OF JOHN LAW.

Translated from S. Alexi's work.

From an artistic point of view the medals struck for John Law have but little interest; they are for the greater part miserable samples of South-German die-cutters work, and excepting No. 1, probably struck in his honor at Strasburg, are satirical. No. 6 was issued at Warmouth, Nos. 7 and 8 at Hamburg, No. 16 in Holland. They are found in various metals, principally silver and tin.

I.

Before a cavern in which Envy is lurking, stands Law; he holds in his left a ship, in his right, a label, inscribed:—LOVISIANA EST EST BANCO ET MONETA; Fame, to left, above, with two trumpets, from the one issue the words, LAVS IN ASTRIS, from the other, LAVS IN TERRIS; in exergue, INVIDIAM VIRTUTE PARTAM GLORIAM NON INVIDIAM IVDICO. CTC. P. CAT. I. C. 12.

Rev. INVIDIA LVCRIPETAS ALLICIS VANAE VENDITIONE SPEI LAVS QVOD VERVM EST LATEAT QVAMVIS ALIQVANDO PATEBIT INVIDIA AVRIFEROS VENDIS MONTES. POTIERIS AHENIS LAVS QVICQUID SVB TERRA EST IN APRICVM PROFERET AETAS. HORAT. I. EP. 6. AVTOR PASCITVR IN VIVIS LIVOR. POST FATA QVIESCIT TVNC SVVS EX MERITO QVOQVE TVETVR HONOS OVID I. AMOR. 15. ARG. STRAHSE. F. 1720. Silver.

II.

Bust of Law in armor, to left; under his arms, ERGO IEAN LAW; below, HIC NIHIL EXPECTES; near border, in two lines, MELAC REDIVIVVS SINE IGNE ET LIGNO GRASSANS IN CRVMENAS EVROPAE CASSAS ET TOTAS EXENTERANDAS.

Rev. GALLI NARRARVNT ET NOS NARRAVIMVS OMNES ANGLVS ET HOLLANDVS FRANKFVRT NORIBERGAQ ET HAMBVRG AVGSPVRG ET SVA QVI VOLVERVNT DAMNA SILERI.; near border, IN ACTIS MISSISPEIS ET BILLETIS; CAETERA TEXTVS HABET. Silver.

III.

Bust of Law with hat, in court dress decorated with the Order of the Holy Ghost; he holds in his right hand a small label, inscribed, ACTIEN BILLETS. Near border, in three lines, MR. DE LAWS COMTE DE TANCKERVILLE DV ROI DANS TOVTS SES CONSEILS SVKINTENDANT ET CONTROLLEVR GENERAL DES FINANCES DV ROYAYME DE FRANCE.

Rev. DURCH ACTIEN CREDIT. TEICH, GAERTEN, LOTTERIE, KVX, LIBROS, BILLETS, WIE AUCH DURCH ALCHYMIE, KOMMT MAN ZYMS LIEBE GELT, UND WEIS SO GARNICHT WIE IN ANNO QVO; DEFICIENTE PERCV NOS FVGIT OMNE NIA. Silver.

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